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SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING A DISTRIBUTED FILE  
SYSTEM UTILIZING METADATA TO TRACK INFORMATION ABOUT  
DATA STORED THROUGHOUT THE SYSTEM

**INTERVIEW AGENDA**  
**Tuesday, March 18, 2008, 2:00 p.m.**  
**Location: Alexandria Campus**  
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Examiner: Te Y. Chen  
Representative From Assignee: Aaron Passey, Distinguished Engineer, Office of the Chief  
Technology Officer, Isilon Systems, Inc.  
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- I. Demonstration
- II. Discussion of Office Action mailed October 12, 2007 and rejections based on U.S. Pub. No. 2003/0014391 to Evans et al. ("Evans") and U.S. Pat. No. 5,884,098 to Mason, Jr. ("Mason")
  - A. Claims 1-2, 7-10, 43, and 71-73 rejected under Section 102(e) as being anticipated by Evans.
    - 1. Discuss examiner's position that Fig. 2b and associated text anticipate the following claim language: "a first file portion of the file comprising a first set of file data stored in the first storage module."

2. Discuss examiner's position that Fig 2a and associated text anticipates the following claim language: "a second file portion of the file comprising a second set of filed data stored in the second storage module, wherein the second set of file data is different from the first set of file data."

3. Discuss examiner's position that Paras. 14 and 48 and Fig. 4a and associated texts anticipate the following claim language: "a first metadata to identify in part the location of the file stored on the first storage module, the second storage module, the third storage module and the fourth storage module."

4. Discuss examiner's position that Paras. 13, 14, and 53 anticipate the following claim language: "a second metadata different at least in part from the first metadata, to supplement the first metadata in identifying the location of the file, the second metadata stored on at least one, but not all, of the first storage module, the second storage module, the third storage module, and the fourth storage module."

5. Discuss examiner's position that Fig. 1 and associated texts anticipate the following claim language: "each of the plurality of storage modules capable of using the first metadata to process the read request on behalf of the distributed file storage system."

B. Claims 3-4, 5-6, and 11-12 rejected under Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Evans in view of Mason.

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